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MINORITY BENEFICIARIES UNDER SGSY, SGRY
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Sampoorna Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) and Sampoorna Grameen Rojgar Yojana (SGRY) is proposed to be earmarked for beneficiaries belonging to minority community living below poverty line;

(b) if so, the steps taken / to be taken by the Government for implementing the aforesaid provisions for each of the block eligible for it; and

(c) the criteria being followed to select the blocks for these facilities?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU)

(a) & (b) The Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) guidelines have been amended making provisions for extending assistance to the Minorities.(Minority communities are those notified under section (2) of the National Commission for Minorities, 1992 Act) Similarly, the guidelines of the Sampoorna Gramin Rozgar Yojana (SGRY) have been amended to the effect that a specified percentage of allocation of District and Intermediate Panchayats is to be earmarked for BPL minority families for extending assistance under individual beneficiary scheme of SGSY. At the State level the earmarked provision for BPL minority families should be 15 percent of the funds allocated to District and Intermediate Panchayats under SGSY in 2006-07.

(c) Under SGSY, the Rural Development Departments of all the State Government and Union Territories have been suitably instructed to adhere to the guideline specifically with respect of Minorities. State governments have also been advised to take into consideration the BPL list for selection of beneficiaries under individual beneficiary scheme of the SGRY.